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Participation of non-governmental organizations and civil society entities in the tenth and eleventh sessions of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development

The Economic and Social Council, recalling paragraph 15 (a) of its resolution 2006/46 of 28 July 2006, entitled "Follow-up to the World Summit on the Information Society and review of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development", decides that, pursuant to Economic and Social Council resolution 1996/31 of 25 July 1996, non-governmental organizations and civil society entities that are not in consultative status with the Council but which received accreditation to the World Summit on the Information Society may participate, on an exceptional basis and without prejudice to the established rules of the United Nations, in the next two meetings of the Commission, this provision being based on the understanding that in the meantime, the said organizations and entities will apply for consultative status with the Council in accordance with existing rules and procedures, and that, in accordance with Council resolution 1996/31, the Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations is invited to consider such applications, in accordance with the rules and procedures of the United Nations and as expeditiously as possible.

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